



NORTHWEST COLORADO FIRE MANAGEMENT UNIT

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Firefighters reach 50 percent containment on Milk Fire

CRAIG, Colo. – About 100 firefighters are working the 492-acre Milk Fire 19 miles south of Craig in the Axial Basin. Along with two helicopters, three BLM engines and two Moffat County engines, firefighters have brought the fire to 50 percent containment.

The fire was reported early yesterday afternoon and is burning in pinyon-juniper, oak brush and grass on a mix of Bureau of Land Management-administered, state and private lands. Fire investigators believe the fire started from two separate lightning strikes.

The Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit is working closely with the Moffat County Sheriff's Office to suppress this fire. No structures are immediately threatened at this time.

Updates will be posted on the BLM Colorado Fire Facebook page, www.facebook.com/BLMColoradoFire.

Firefighters remind the public that unmanned aircraft systems, or drones, are a serious impediment to wildland firefighting. If a drone is spotted near a wildfire, firefighting aircraft will be grounded to protect firefighters.

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